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Walt 1629 I gave a jasmine flower to

Siddhattha, then the Blessed One,

and with laughter I then scattered

seven flowers upon his feet. Verse 1

Walt 1630 Due to that karma, today I

have surpassed gods as well as men.

I am bearing my last body

in the Buddha’s dispensation. Verse 2

Walt 1631 In the ninety-four aeons since

I offered that flower to him,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that’s the fruit of flower-pūjā. Verse 3

Walt 1632 There were thirteen wheel-turning kings;

all were named Samantagandha,

lords over groups on all four sides,

then in the fifth aeon ago. Verse 4

Walt 1633 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Padapūjaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Padapūjaka Thera is finished.

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